

**REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA
AND RECORD OF ACTION**

March 16, 1999

FROM: **THOMAS J. PRENDERGAST, M.D.
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH**

SUBJECT: **CONTRACTS FOR HOUSING ASSISTANCE**

RECOMMENDATION: Approve Amendment No. 1 to contracts with the following organizations to provide housing assistance to persons living with HIV:

<u>AGREEMENT NO.</u>	<u>AGENCY</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
98-778	Desert AIDS Project	\$12,300
98-779	Foothill AIDS Project	\$22,700

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) provides funding to local jurisdictions for housing assistance to persons with HIV. Based on federal criteria, the city of Riverside is the recipient of the federal housing funds for services in both Riverside and San Bernardino counties. At the request of the city of Riverside, the Department of Public Health has acted as the formal housing project sponsor for San Bernardino County. The Department administers housing funds to local community-based agencies providing a variety of supportive services to persons with HIV/AIDS. The City of Riverside, in conjunction with a community advisory group, determines the actual funding allocations based on competitive grant applications. On September 15, 1998, the Board approved contracts with the Desert AIDS Project and the Foothill AIDS Project for \$27,200 and \$79,000, respectively. These contracts were for the period April 1, 1998 – June 30, 1999. Services funded include payments for housing assistance, utility assistance and emergency shelter. Based on current expenditures and demand for services, the City and Department are reallocating housing funds to various funded agencies to assure full expenditure of the federal monies consistent with federal requirements. This action increases funding to the Desert AIDS Project by \$12,300 and to the Foothill AIDS Project by \$22,700 for services through June 30, 1999.

REVIEW BY OTHERS: These contract amendments have been reviewed by County Counsel.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: Approval of these amendments imposes no additional cost on the County. Expenditures are reimbursed through the federal housing grant. Expenditures are reimbursed through the city of Riverside. Expenditures and revenues are included in the Department of Public Health's approved FY 1998-99 budget.

PRESENTER: Thomas J. Prendergast, M.D., Director of Public Health